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TITLE: Highly available cluster coherent filesystem

Detailed Description Text (9):

In the illustrative embodiment, cluster filesystem 118 includes a cluster filesystem layer 120, a local filesystem 122 and a meta-data stub 124. Generally speaking, a local filesystem is a filesystem designed for computer systems in which only one node accesses a storage device. Accordingly, local filesystems typically do not provide for cluster-wide data coherency. In one embodiment, local filesystem 122 is an off-the-shelf filesystem. Generally speaking, an off-the-shelf filesystem is a non-custom filesystem which enjoys wide distribution and is well supported. Examples of off-the-shelf filesystems are UFS, VxFS, DOS and VMS.

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